

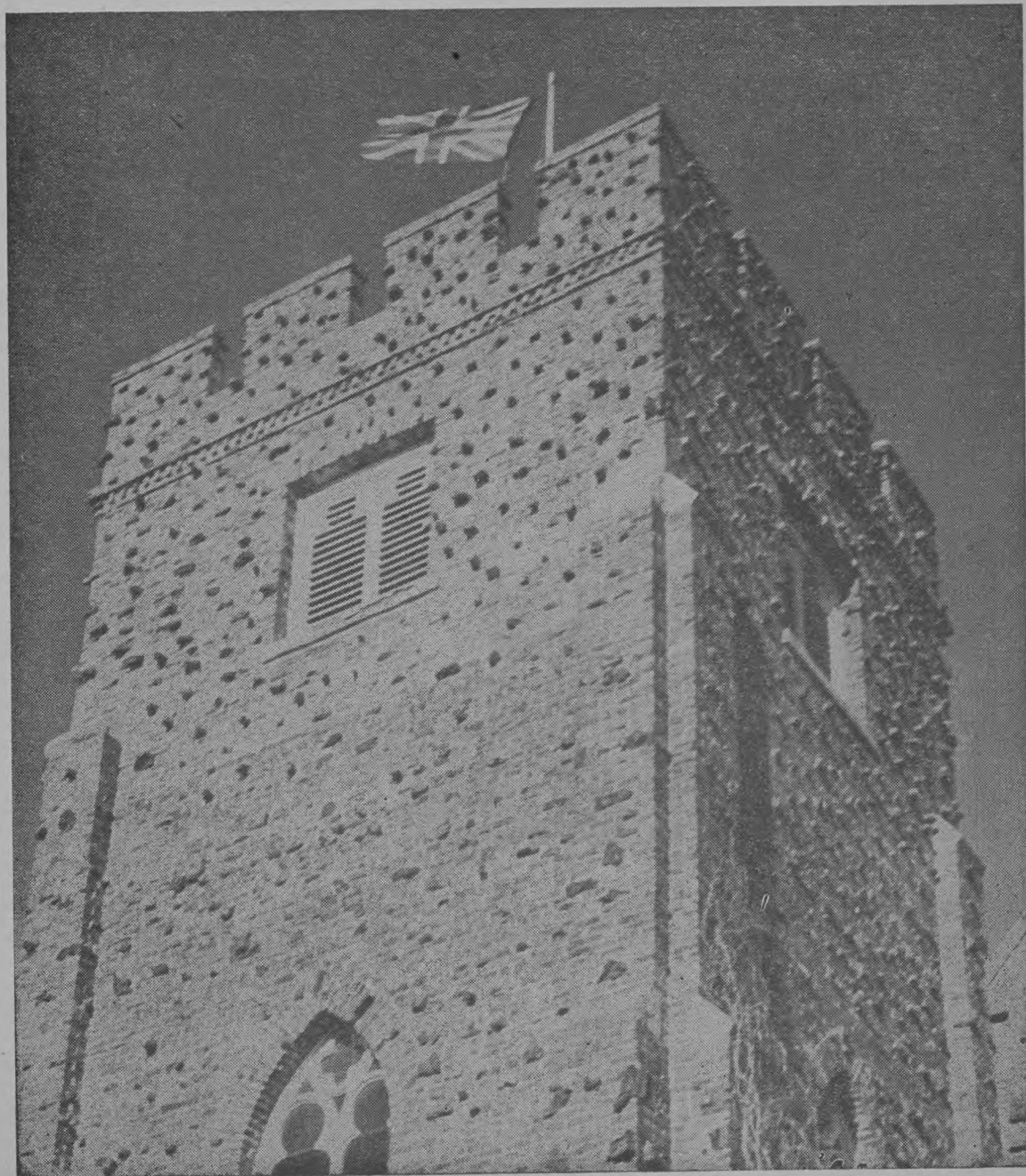
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## The Bishop's Page

My Dear People:

I am writing my message to you this month under the inevitable excitement of the coming days and in the very midst of the excitement of the Easter season. We sing Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! and thus express something of the excitement of the Easter Victory. Myraids of our people thronged our churches and looked to Jesus as their risen Saviour. The witness of their faith and the contagion of their enthusiasm must have reached many who never approach the altar or bow in reverence before "The Living One."

BUT THE EASTER VICTORY has for us a special significance this year. It is linked in our thoughts with the revival of the Church which is rapidly spreading throughout the country—a veritable resurrection to new life. It is impossible for even the most casual Anglican to remain unmoved by the excitement which is surging through the hearts and minds of our people during these days in which we face our great test. It is to be a test of our faith, our loyalty and our gratitude and it is to be a **real** test. So often in the past we have scaled down our tests so that they could be met without exceptional effort and without any real sacrifice. In any realm this is a mistake. It is characteristic of normal human nature to respond to a real challenge and to remain unmoved by one that makes but slight demands. So the Anglican Advance challenges our strength rather than our weakness. Here I touch upon the main reason for the great interest which has been aroused throughout the country. We face a task worthy of us—a task big enough to challenge every member of our communion to generous and concerted action.

**The time has come** for us to give our **substance** for the work of the Church. There are two important words there—**time** and **substance**. The time for action is short. During the ten days following May 12th we expect to receive in cash and pledges the sum of \$4,300,000 in Canada, and in this Diocese \$63,000. On Monday, May 13th, teams of canvassers will be out in every parish going to all our people asking for their financial support. Let us do this work in the shortest possible time and report the results to the Synod Office at the earliest possible date. The greater the number of canvassers the easier the work will be and the sooner our goal will be reached. Volunteer now to your rector or to the local chairman of your Campaign Committee.

**How much should I give?** This question has been asked many times in recent weeks. At first I hesitated to answer lest I should embarrass the questioner in two ways. If I put the figure too low he might be embarrassed by my low estimate of either his capacity or willingness to give. If I put it too high he might be embarrassed by his inability

to give so much. But I dare not shirk what has become clear to me as a duty in this matter. I have decided to state a minimum for every gainfully employed person at \$40.00—\$10.00 in cash and a pledge of \$10.00 each year for three years. The number of people in the low income bracket to whom this minimum would apply represents, according to statistics, about one-third of our people. The remaining two-thirds will be asked to give proportionately to their income. There, I have got that off my chest and I feel better for it. It has been written in such specific terms because of a genuine desire to help. Quite a few people who are eager to respond to the appeal have asked me to make some such statement.

THE ADVANCE IS TO BE A TEST OF OUR GRATITUDE. We have been saved from something worse than death by the sacrifice and service of our young men. But peace did not come when the "cease fire" sounded. The strains of war have been followed by the fear that we are not yet saved. Economic salvation is not enough, political salvation is not enough. The peace remains to be won. The peace cannot be won apart from the witness and work of the Church. Let me quote Field Marshal Smuts, Prime Minister of South Africa: "Fundamentally the world has no need of a new order but only the honest and courageous application of the historical Christian creed. . . . Let us follow the greatest light that has ever arisen on the human horizon. . . . In the twilight of today I see on the horizon none but the man of Galilee."

MANY OF OUR PEOPLE HAVE TURNED IN GRATITUDE to God and are seeking some worthy expression for that gratitude. The other day the mother of a boy who was killed in action wrote me enclosing the gratuity cheque she had just received. "Here it is, I send it to you for the Church; I am sure he would like it that way." There will be many who will want to provide some living memorial for their loved ones and many more who will want to express their gratitude for the safe return of their sons by offering something of what they have saved. Let us "Build the Temple of Peace" by strengthening the hands of the Church. When Jesus stood in the guest-room upstairs in a house in Jerusalem on the first Easter Day He proclaimed peace—"Peace be with you."

Yours in Christ,

*Walter Schmonlin*



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## Editorial

### Easter

The Festival of the Risen Lord was celebrated this year under almost ideal weather conditions, and the attendances at the Easter morning services must have broken all records. It was the first Easter free from war since 1939, and the note of Victory seemed to sound everywhere. To see thousands of people making their way to their respective churches, and to see those churches filled to overflowing was an inspiration in itself. It is a picture of the Christian Church mobilized in its greatest numbers, making its public witness to its faith in the Lord Jesus. Certainly it is true that at Easter—

"Like a mighty army  
Moves the Church of God."

Regular worshippers gladly give up their accustomed pews to accommodate those who come all too infrequently. Sidesmen remark about how fine it would be if the church was always crowded like this. Perhaps we would quickly tire of being crowded out and sigh for the "good old days" when we could be sure of our place, but Easter crowds make us realize what a mighty force for God and for Good the

Christian Church can be when every man and woman is mobilized for victory. If the Easter enthusiasm could be carried forward throughout the year there is nothing the Christian Church could not accomplish in the name of her Lord.

### The Appeal

Ever since Epiphanytide we have been hearing of the challenge of our Church to ADVANCE the work of the Church through re-dedication and thankoffering as a token of our recognition of the hand of God in our great deliverance from the enemy during the years of the war. It is almost a year since V-E Day, but thoughts of thanksgiving still fill our hearts when we recall the fears and sorrows of those years of conflict. The experience since the war of erstwhile allies jockeying for new positions and privilege in the new order of United Nations makes us realize that the true peace of God in our world is far beyond the power of man to create and order, nor can a man-made world order provide the security or promise the freedom and happiness for which we yearn. This is God's world, and any other interpretation of it will lead to inevitable disaster sooner or later.

It is in this belief that the Advance Appeal was launched. Re-dedication and Thankoffering provide the key to any new order, and there can be no advance without them both.

Our thankoffering has been spread over a period of three years, and represents a sum worthy of our Church in this Dominion. It can be met quite easily if each one will pause for a moment to consider the causes for which he needs to be thankful, and then give what he can. Our gifts will vary according to our means, but more especially will they vary according to our sense of thankfulness.

"What! Giving again?" I asked in dismay.

"And must I keep giving and giving away?"

"Oh no," said the Angel, piercing me through.

"Just give till the Saviour stops giving to you."

The chief task confronting each parish will be that of making the necessary calls to receive the gifts which our people will want to make. Some families have already anticipated the call and have written to their rector or wardens stating how much they intend to contribute. Many others, knowing this, will be able to assist the canvassers by making their donation in advance of May 12th.

In every parish, however, a large number of men will be needed to call on our Church families. To accomplish this canvass during the one week—which is much to be desired—will require the devoted efforts of as many canvassers as can be obtained, and we hope that "every man will be in his place round about the camp," doing his share to ensure a Victory for the Anglican Advance Appeal.

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# DIOCESAN NEWS



## A NEW VENTURE

The Bishop announces that Miss Charlotte Whitton will visit the Diocese next autumn in the interests of continuing the Anglican Advance. Miss Whitton is well known as a church woman and as a speaker of national—indeed international—reputation. Miss Whitton has taken responsibility for trying to increase the number of women and girls in the Church and to obtain the more active participation of those already within it. She will be working with Dean Waterman and Mrs. Wodehouse, who is Dominion President of the W.A.

The purpose of Miss Whitton's work is to enlist in the active work of the Church some of the 200,000 women and girls who are not at present affiliated with existing organizations.

A further report on this matter will be made when the dates of Miss Whitton's visit are finally fixed and suitable local arrangements for her visit made.

## THE REV. D.V.A. BROWNE

The Bishop announces the appointment of the Reverend D. V. A. Browne, B.A., L.Th., to the parish of Barrhead-Westlock, with Clyde, Glenreagh and Sunnybank. Mr. Browne has just returned from overseas where he served with great distinction. He was in Normandy, Holland and Germany with his unit throughout the whole active campaign from a day or so after "D" Day. We welcome him heartily.

Mrs. Browne will not be coming with her husband. She is continuing in the service as a nurse for the present. The Bishop is glad that he was able to persuade Mr. Browne to come at this time of great need in the Diocese.

## THE REV. E. N. P. ORME

The Bishop announces the appointment of the Reverend E. N. P. Orme to the parish of Tofield and Viking with Rodino. Major Orme will be released from the Chaplaincy Service and move to Tofield about May 8th.

H/Major Orme was appointed to the Chaplaincy Service in 1940 and proceeded overseas almost at once. He was chaplain to the Seaforth Highlands of Canada; the 4th Casualty Clearing Station and the

15th Canadian General Hospital in Africa and Italy. In 1945 he was invested with the M.B.E. by the King and returned to Canada.

Major Orme is married and has three children. During the war his family have lived in Stettler, Alberta. We bid them all a very warm welcome into our Doicesan fellowship.

## CONGRATULATIONS

The Dean of Edmonton, the Very Reverend A. M. Trendell, will receive the Degree of Doctor in Divinity from Emmanuel College, Saskatoon, Sask., at the Annual Convocation on Wednesday, May 1st. The whole Diocese will rejoice in this well deserved honour to the Dean.

Emmanuel College has given us many graduates in the past and at the present time we have serving in the Diocese the following: The Rev. Canon W. M. Nainby, the Rev. L. M. Watts, the Rev. S. J. Bell, the Rev. N. J. Godkin, the Rev. F. W. Baker, the Rev. F. A. Peake, the Rev. S. G. West, the Rev. W. W. Buxton, the Rev. D. V. A. Browne, the Rev. H. G. Brant. The Bishop is an honorary alumnus of the College and now the Dean is added to the long list. We owe a deep debt of gratitude to the College for the part it has played in building up and maintaining, through these clergy, the work of the Church in the Diocese.

## SEDGEWICK PARISH HALL DEDICATED

On Easter Monday the Bishop and Mrs. Barfoot went to Sedgewick for the dedication of the Memorial Parish Hall, which has just been completed entirely by voluntary labour and is free from debt. The ceremony of dedication took place in conjunction with a social evening, to which many visitors from the neighbouring parishes and former members of the congregation came. The Rural Dean and Mrs. Wallis attended the ceremony. A programme of songs was enthusiastically received by the large audience.

The story of the building was told by the Rector, the Reverend F. W. Baker, with wit and grace. It is a story of devotion and sacrifice of time and effort on the part of the whole parish. The results are exceedingly gratifying.

## FINANCIAL CANVASS

### Parish Campaign Chairman

Please meet with your team of canvassers and discuss the financial side under the heads:

1. Thank-offering.
  2. The work the money is to do. (Using pamphlet, "Why the Anglican Advance Appeal.")
  3. The place of the Church in building a Christian Canada and a Christian world.
- Emphasize thoroughness in the canvass, promptness in completing it and exactness in reports.

### Parish Campaign Canvassers

1. Remember this is a work to which God calls us all.
2. Remember that you are not doing this on your own. You have been called by the Church and sent by the Church on a specific task for the Kingdom of God.
3. The people whom you will visit have had a constant flow of information for many weeks through "The Edmonton Churchman", with enclosures from the Advance office in Toronto, through radio and daily and weekly newspapers.
4. This is the most important moment in the life of the Church in Canada in our generation. It is no ordinary effort which we are asked to make. The future depends on what we do now.
5. Approach every gainfully employed person. Omit no one.
6. Act quickly.
7. Be exact in your records and get the work done within the week if possible.

Your Church is grateful for your interest and your efforts.

S. F. TACKABERRY,  
Diocesan Organizer.

## Broadcasting

SUNDAY, 11 a.m.:

May 5—Christ Church....CJCA  
May 12—St. Faith's.....CFRN  
May 19—Holy Trinity.....CJCA



## Sunday School Holds Dramatic Night

The Fifth Annual Dramatic Evening of the Edmonton and District Sunday Schools, under the auspices of the Sunday School Teachers' Association, was held in All Saints' parish hall, on Friday, March 1st. The theme this year was "God's Rules for Life," and the purpose was to illustrate the Ten Commandments. A member of St. Mary's Sunday School recited the passage from the Book of Exodus which sets forth the Commandments. All Saints' Mission pupils then presented an illustration of the meaning of the First Commandment: Dress, money and pride in putting other things first were shown to be gods that people worship, as opposed to the true God.

The Second Commandment was presented by Fort Saskatchewan pupils. First, there was the parade of the people about an altar, to which they gave gold ornaments to make the golden calf, which they then fell down before in worship. Then came Moses on the scene and called for all who would serve the Lord. There followed the singing of the hymn, "Who is on the Lord's Side," and "Coming, Coming, Yes They Are," and the scene closed with the chanting of the second rule.

After the singing of hymn 642 by the audience, a reading of the summary of the Law, that of our Lord Jesus Christ, took

place, and then duty to one's neighbor was illustrated by All Saints' School, in the parable of the Good Samaritan. The lonely traveller, the violence of the thieves, the coldness of the priest and the Levite, the care of the Samaritan—all were very well done in every respect. There followed a charming scene of a family having supper in a present day home and, in the course of the meal, discussing what had been learned at Sunday School, of the importance of health and the part that cleanliness and good food contribute. The talk brought out that to be wholesome, care must be taken in matters of the mind and spirit. This was an excellent presentation of fulfilling the 7th Commandment.

The audience then sang hymn 556. St. Luke's School showed Zaccheus walking up and down with his money bag and declaring aloud that all his stolen wealth had only served to make him despised by all his countrymen. Two women who were very poor came on, and told each other of the way Zaccheus had taken such a lot of their money that they had little left to feed their families. Looking down the road, they saw him coming and were about to leave, when he called to them and surprised them by his joy in telling them of Jesus, and then astounded them by giving back four times as much as he had taken from them. Such was the Eighth Commandment.

St. Peter's School did the Ninth Rule, with a classroom experience. A false accusation concerning a play yard accident taught the pupils how far wrong such things can go. Fortunately, as in this scene, evil is sometimes arrested before it goes too far. After the reading of the Tenth Commandment the evening came to a close with the singing of hymn 646. A collection was received to defray expenses. Prayers and Benediction were said by the Bishop, who was also chairman for the evening.

All who were privileged to attend enjoyed it very much. The pupils spoke clearly, and did their parts with devotion and enthusiasm. The teachers are to be complimented for the work they did in preparing the youngsters and for the fine costumes that appeared. The Sunday School Teachers' Association, with Mrs. Harris as president, will be much encouraged in this venture, which has been better with each year's presentation. Certainly the youngsters enjoy it. Next year it is to be hoped that this event will become a "must" on the calendar—for all who have the interest of the young folk at heart. We might also take some Kodachrome pictures of the various scenes and make them available to the Sunday Schools as helps to lessons.

Our thanks to All Saints' for the use of the hall, and to the Rev. H. G. Brant, and to Mrs. Swaffield for playing the piano.

# ANGLICANS!

## THE CHALLENGE

At home and abroad all mankind is suffering from the tremendous moral shock of war. Pagan and anti-Christian tendencies are still alive and active. The world is in the throes of a great restlessness and possesses vast new material powers that can be turned for good or for ill.

## THE ANSWER

The Anglican Advance Appeal asks you and all Anglicans for a thankoffering that will better equip the Church to meet the threat of pagan and anti-Christian influences to help build a peaceful world for your children and to so extend God's work that His Grace may be received into the hearts of men.

## TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE

THE FINANCIAL OBJECTIVE OF THIS DIOCESE IS \$63,000—ARM THE CHURCH WITH YOUR GIFTS TO FIGHT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION.

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# Woman's Auxiliary



## NOTICE

The Annual Life Members' Tea will take place in All Saints' Parish Hall, on Friday, May 10th, from 3 to 6 p.m. As Mrs. H. A. Gray will still be a visitor in our city, this occasion will give many of her old friends the opportunity of having a little visit with her.

## "THE DIOCESAN MAP,"

By R. Dudleyke

"Put in MY heart the things I should do and say to promote His glory."

This petition in our W.A. prayer gives one the courage to attempt things which of ourselves we could never accomplish, and so about two weeks before the 1946 Annual I wrote to our Diocesan President to enquire if she would permit me to make a Diocesan Map giving the location of every Parish and Mission, with the inscription of the names of members wherever there was a Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. A small donation will be asked and given to the Anglican Advance Appeal, to further the work we have in hand. Consent being given, the outline of the Map was completed and displayed at the Annual Meetings. The W.A. Diocesan colours green and gold enclose the location of the Diocese of Edmonton, surrounded on the North by Athabasca, West by Caledonia, Caribou and Kootenay, South by Calgary and Qu'Appelle, and on the East by Saskatchewan and Saskatoon.

Edmonton, the See City, is embroidered in Purple, with names of the City Churches in their respective locations. Other place names are embroidered in Red. Inscription of other names is in black, the dates of foundation of W.A. branches also being shown. The course of the Athabasca and North Saskatchewan Rivers through the diocese is shown in sky blue. When completed it is hoped this 6 ft. by 3 ft. 6 in. map will prove a useful source of information to the Diocesan Board and others, with its statistical data, particularly the numerical strength of each Branch in 1946. It is hoped that this map will be displayed at the several Deanery W.A. Meetings.

The 25c Branch Fee is to cover the cost of materials, etc., used, the embroidering

of place names, the inscription of names of the clergy and their respective churches and missions, and any balance will be given to the Anglican Advance Appeal Fund. The 10c members' fee is given in full to the Anglican Advance Appeal Fund.

It is sincerely hoped that every member's name will be in its place on the Edmonton Diocesan Map.

## LETTER FROM DOMINION W.A. PRESIDENT

From a letter recently received from the Dominion W.A. President Mrs. R. E. Wodehouse:

"I am sure your members are all very keen and are supporting the Anglican Advance Appeal to the utmost. Talking to Dean Waterman some weeks ago in Montreal it was understood that the best way the members of the W.A. could help would be as Members of the Parish organization, and there, do everything possible to raise the parish assessment as part of the family unit. This does seem to be the best way."

## ALLOCATION OF SIX LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

St. John's House-----	\$37.50
Divinity Students' Fund-----	22.50
30th Anniversary Fund-----	25.00
New Church at Seba Beach-----	90.00

## JUNIOR GIRLS' DEPARTMENT

### "Living Message"

Subscriptions to the "Living Message" for Juniors cover sixty-five per cent of the total membership. In several branches every member receives this magazine.

## J.W.A. BADGE

The small silver badge in the shape of the Winchester Cross is to be presented to the Junior Girls at the J.W.A. admission service on St. Andrew's Day at the same time as she receives the Membership Card.

A limited number of these badges will be available from Mrs. R. C. Craigie, the Diocesan Superintendent. Branch secretaries may order from her directly. The little badge is priced at fifteen cents, as far as is known now. Cash for these badges should accompany each order.

## FESTIVAL

The date is May 18th (Saturday).

The place is All Saints' Hall.

Out of town branches may enter without coming to Edmonton if responsible persons are selected as judges and if the Branch leader sends in the marks directly after May 18th to Mrs. Craigie.

The open meeting of the Festival will be held on the following Wednesday evening, May 22nd. The place will be announced later.

## PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Rev. T. R. Davies is prayer partner of St. Peter's W.A., Edmonton. (Referred to in notes from Mrs. Calrow's letter.)

Mrs. L. G. Phillips of Alliston, Ont., is prayer partner of St. Mary's W.A., Edmonton.

Mrs. Phillips is engaged in Social Service work there, due to no suitable opening available in the Mission field. Her husband, whom she married last September is a chaplain in the Canadian Army Forces overseas.

She writes extremely interesting letters to us concerning her work and a brisk correspondence is kept up between us.

Mrs. Phillips has been our Prayer Partner since August, 1945, replacing Miss Marion Walker who was retired in 1944. We continue, however, to keep in touch with Miss Walker.

## A CYCLE OF HOME INTERCESSIONS

A Cycle of Home Intercessions published in the interests of the Anglican Advance Appeal could well be used at branch meetings by the Educational secretaries who are seeking timely information to lay before the members and by the President for the Devotional Period. The Thanksgiving and Prayers contained therein are primarily intended for individual use. May every member take the part that is expected of her in this Advance. Knowledge is necessary for intercessory prayer.

O Master Builder,  
Who hast made the plan  
And supplied the means,  
And called the workmen;  
Give us minds to know Thee,  
Hearts to love Thee and wills to serve  
Thee. Amen.

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# The Anglican Young People's Association

As you are reading this, the 14th annual conference of the A.Y.P.A. in the Diocese of Edmonton should be well under way. The theme of the conference this year is in keeping with Anglican Advance Appeal namely, "Advance with Christ through Victory to Peace." The Bishop of Edmonton is leading the discussion groups and a questionnaire dealing with various points relating to the topic has already been sent to all the branches in the diocese. It should prove a very interesting and edifying afternoon. A few of the other highlights of the conference are the banquet and dance at the Masonic Hall on Saturday evening; Corporate Communion at All Saints' followed by breakfast at the Royal George; a Young People's service at Holy Trinity at 11.00 a.m. and an Evening Prayer service followed by a fireside at St. Peter's in the evening. This should prove to be the finest conference yet held in the diocese.

On Palm Sunday a Corporate Communion was held at All Saints' Cathedral. We were highly delighted to see such a large turnout representing every branch in the city. The Royal George, where we adjourned for breakfast was filled to capacity with a noisy but very enthusiastic crowd.

On April 12th one of the most spirited council meetings in its history was held at St. Mark's. Among the items discussed were various aspects of the conference, a question as to whether we should participate in the Interdenom Y.P. work camp, and a motion that the annual election of officers for the council should be held late in the spring instead of in the fall as at present. No decision has yet been reached on the last two items.

Just a reminder at this time to keep the dates June 29th, 30th, and July 1st open. These are the dates of the annual summer camp to be held at Kapasiwin Beach. According to advance publicity this is one A.Y.P.A. undertaking that you should not miss. Full details of the camp as to programme, times, transportation and cost will be given in a special issue of the OCTOPUS which goes to press on June 1st. If you are in a parish which at the present time has no branch and you are

interested in the camp please drop a line to Hugh Reeves, 7913 112th Ave., Edmonton, and ask to be put on our mailing list. All present members will be receiving their copy of the OCTOPUS through their branch Secretary during the first week in June.

## A.Y.P.A. Activities Throughout the Branches

To all branch reporters: Please have your reports in to Hugh Reeves, 7913 112th Avenue S., Edmonton, before the fifteenth of each month. Last month several reports were received too late to be included in the CHURCHMAN.

## Christ Church

Our fellowship evening was a big success. We first held a scavenger hunt. Later, we put the ping pong tables up, and cookies and tea were served. This was really our main activity of the month. The fireside was a lot of fun, with President Harry Blackburn in charge, and it even brought us three new members.

One of the most interesting events of this month was our journey down to the Bannon mine. The "boss" very kindly took us through and we saw the coal being cut, etc. Many thanks to Mr. Emmett, who made the arrangements for us.

## All Saints'

The All Saints' A.Y.P.A. has been very active these last few weeks, particularly after the discussion night held recently. During this discussion the members, after a "pep talk" from Mr. Brant, were free to air their grievances as to why the attendance of the group was slipping. A number of arguments were started, but everyone left the hall on the best of terms. Many good ideas and suggestions were received as to what the group wanted in the way of A.Y. meetings.

We made a very interesting and enjoyable trip through McGavin's bakery on one of our Monday nights.

After a Candlelight Service Dean Trendall gave us a talk on A.Y.P.A. and what it means, and how we can live up to the motto of the A.Y.P.A.

For the first time in a long while a work night was very well attended. A great many odd jobs were handled, such as typing envelopes, cutting, sewing and embroidering of tea towels and coffee bags, building a shelf in the cupboard, sorting and listing of records, and making song sheets.

Our firesides are still well attended, and with the addition of new pages in the song book a little more variety in the songs will be available.

On one of the Monday evenings some of the members gave a talk on their occupations. This proved very successful and interesting. The speakers brought samples and diagrams which helped to make the topics more enlightening.

On Friday, May 10th, we are going to hold a dance in the parish hall, starting at 8.30 P.M. There will be a floor show during the evening. The admission is 25c per person and we hope to see you all there. A great deal of time has been spent so that a good time can be guaranteed.

## St. Mark's

Our organization meeting was held on February 4th and since that time our membership has increased considerably. The following officers were elected: President, Douglas Gibbs; Vice-President, Nora Adamson; Secretary, Anne Plishka; Treasurer, Nora Adamson; Vice-Pres. Worship, Faith Hawkins; Work, Bessie Hayden; Edification, Charlie Laight; Fellowship, Tom Hayden.

On February 13th Doris Morgan spoke to us on the A.Y.P.A., and on February 20th the Council paid us a visit, giving us some very helpful suggestions. On March 13th we had a very interesting talk by Dr. Mary Johnson, to which members of St. Mary's and St. Paul's A.Y.'s were invited. The installation of officers was held on March 17th. We are planning to hold a whist drive on Saturday, April 27th.

## Holy Trinity

Both Senior and Junior A.Y.P.A.'s have attended the Lenten services, held on Wednesday evenings, and held the monthly communion and breakfast on Easter Day. We welcome back Howard Reeves, who has taken over the office of vice-president of Worship. The Seniors attended the Edmonton Art Exhibit as an Edification night.

The Junior A.Y. also held a theatre party, and debate.

# The Sunday School and The Advance

(A few of the many excellent suggestions contained in a bulletin written by the Reverend Dr. A. H. Priest:)

The Sunday School can—

1. Take steps to see that there is a Bible and Prayer Book and some religious pictures in every home.
2. Supply free samples and mimeographed materials to help parents towards a sense of Christian parental responsibility.
3. Make Little Helpers a more effective point of contact with homes.
4. Organize a nursery department—caring for babies during church service.
5. Keep house occasionally so that father and mother can attend church.
6. Discuss with parents the Church School programme (parent-teacher meetings).
7. Plan to look after absentees.
8. Hold regular periods of Lesson Preparation.

9. Send teachers to Sunday School Teacher Association meetings and to Summer School.
10. Always plan to "teach for a verdict."
11. Hold an Advance poster competition as a class (not individual) project.

- (a) Children of our Sunday Schools can watch for newcomers in their neighbourhood to be new members.
- (b) Children feel that what we stand for in the work-a-day world can be just as important as any "church work" we may do—be ready to "say a good word for Jesus Christ."
- (c) Children feel that God has a plan and purpose for each young life.
- (d) Children may be asked to write a short paper on such a subject as, "The work to which I think God is calling me."
- (e) Children can assist parents in carrying out regular family worship, using Bible Reading Fellowship and Advance Prayers.

## Advance . . . . .

### The Parishes Speak

(Overheard by eavesdropper)—

"Attendance at morning services up 60%, at evening services, doubled."

"People in church whom we have never seen there before."

"Several new members in Sunday School."

"Our church building is bulging at the seams."

"People drove 20 miles for their early communion."

A prairie missionary: "I thought I knew who were baptized and who weren't, but the visitors found an unexpected number for me."

"Several new members for the W.A."

"Please send the EDMONTON CHURCHMAN to the following list—result of the Advance."

"Our visitors brought back a surprising number of enquiries about confirmation."

"Our current offerings at church services are breaking all records."

One of the team of Advance visitors, to the rector just before service, points to a seat full of new people: "There they are—that's my quota for last week."

A rector: "To one of our Advance team, a quiet retiring man, I gave five names. I wish I had given him twenty because he has done such good work."

At one point, "A new Sunday School with thirty children on the first Sunday."

By a clergyman: "One great result of the Advance Appeal may well be the reconversion of many of us and the strengthening of many others."

By a clergyman: "The highest five-month attendance in the history of a half-century-old parish."

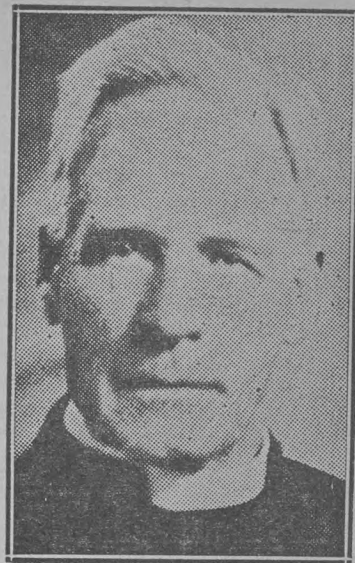
"Through the Advance Movement many of our laymen and laywomen have found avenue of service to the Church, which has given them new vision and purpose."

"Some have said this is only the beginning; we want to be allowed to follow up this work."

A lady came in the other day to a city rector—"I have been away from my Church for several years and I am coming back now. I didn't realize what I have been missing."

"Many of the congregation have stated that they are conscious of a stirring of the

### CONGRATULATIONS



The Rev. Arthur Murphy, who is receiving the congratulations of the Diocese on his ninetieth birthday.

whole spiritual tone of the parish. To quote one of them, 'We feel that things are happening.'

Another, "Lent has meant more to me this year than ever before."

"Several young people have volunteered as permanent visitors to contact new arrivals in the city."

### Why all this?

The Holy Spirit of God is among us. People are praying.

The challenge is upon us and our future depends on our response.

Leaders are giving real leadership.

Men are quick to sense the note of urgency and of opportunity of this moment and have sprung to action.

They are grateful for victory and for peace and are mindful of the tremendous price paid for peace.

They realize the great part the Church must play towards a Christian Canada—and that this is the business of every churchman.

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Most people either try to find themselves, or get away from themselves. The exception is the man who tries to change himself.

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# The Church of England in Western Canada

By REV. T. C. B. BOON, B.A.

## XIII

For more than fifty years after the arrival of the Selkirk Settlers in Western Canada, its rivers and streams were the highways of the country; the Hudson's Bay Company Posts were located on their banks, and the packets of the fur traders followed their courses. The missionary followed the trader, and the station of the former was often not far from the latter. When, in the early seventies of the last century, the time became ripe for the unwieldy Diocese of Rupert's Land to be divided, the pattern of the division closely followed that established by the first missions twenty or thirty years before; a brief recapitulation may be useful.

In 1840, Henry Budd was sent as a Catechist to the Cumberland House District, where he founded the Devon Mission at the place now known as The Pas. In 1842, James Settee was sent to the Churchill River District (in what is now Northern Saskatchewan) where he began a Mission at Lac la Ronge, and later at Stanley. In 1840, the Wesleyan Methodists of Eastern Canada sent four young missionaries to the West: James Evans to Norway House, William Mason to Rainy River, Robert T. Rundle to Edmonton and George Barnley to Fort Moose on James Bay. Mr. Mason was later ordained in the Church of England and spent many years as C.M.S. missionary at York Factory. The Methodists, in 1851, withdrew from Moose and a petition was sent by the Hudson's Bay Company's Officers there to Bishop Anderson asking for a teacher and a Clergyman. Their appeal was forwarded by the Bishop to the C.M.S. and as a result John Horden came to Moose in the Autumn of that year. He found the ground prepared for him, even a little Church built; and the late Venerable J. A. MacKay, who lived at Moose as a boy, in speaking at the Centenary celebrations in 1920, referred to George Barnley with great feeling as his spiritual father. In 1859, the Venerable Archdeacon James Hunter volunteered to go to the Mackenzie River District to report upon the possibilities of opening up work amongst the Northern Indians. While he returned to the Red River the following year, the Reverend W. W. Kirkby went to Fort Simpson in 1861, to be followed in 1862 by the Reverend Robert McDonald, who went as far as Fort Yukon;

and in 1865 by the Reverend William Carpenter Bompas.

For one Bishop to attempt to exercise Episcopal functions over such an area was an impossibility, owing to the limitations of travel. Bishop Anderson, indeed, had visited both Moose and The Pas, but the journeys had taken weeks. Bishop Machray had visited Moose on his way to Eastern Canada and the States in 1868, but it was a difficult journey, and now he was confronted with the problem of an increasing number of settlers in the Red River District, the prospect of a still further increase owing to railway development, besides growing responsibilities with respect to St. John's College and School. The division of the Diocese became imperative.

After delay caused by the Riel Rebellion in 1869, Bishop Machray went to England in the Summer of 1871, where the whole matter was laid before the Archbishop of Canterbury and the two great Missionary Societies. He met the C.M.S. on October 24th, and his proposals were received with sympathy. Through the months which followed, he was strongly supported by his Archdeacons, McLean and Cowley (who wrote to the C.M.S. independently outlining an almost identical scheme) and Messrs. Horden and Bompas, besides which Bishop Anderson and the Reverend James Hunter vigorously favoured the proposal. On June 10th, 1872, the C.M.S. agreed to provide the funds necessary to establish the Dioceses of the Hudson Bay (now Moosonee) and Athabasca, the original area of which included the Diocese of the Yukon and much of the present Diocese of the Arctic. There never was any question as to who should be the Bishops: John Horden was consecrated in Westminster Abbey on the 15th of December, 1872; and Mr. Bompas on May 4th, 1874, in St. Mary's Church, Lambeth.

Both these new Dioceses were easily recognized as specifically missionary Dioceses but the case of Saskatchewan was held to be different. The broad prairie lands, through which the Saskatchewan River flows, were well-seen to be areas of future agricultural development, which would be farmed by settlers who might be of many nationalities, but certainly not native Indians. The appeal in this case, therefore, was made to the S.P.G.

which promised generous co-operation; and in addition, in June, 1873, Archdeacon McLean left for England in order to raise an endowment for the Diocese of which he was the prospective Bishop. He was consecrated in Canterbury Cathedral on May 3rd, 1874, and the Venerable Society seems to have been ungrudging in its support. During the next forty-six years, the S.P.G. contributed over \$270,000 to the funds of the Diocese while it was still under one Bishop, (1874-1905) and a further \$100,000 to the Diocese of Saskatchewan alone, and more than \$180,000 to the Diocese of Calgary after their separation was complete (1905-1920); of this, \$73,000 went to endowments.

A brief Synod of the Diocese of Rupert's Land was held on January 8th, 1873, at which Bishop Machray gave a detailed account of his negotiations with the Societies, and a new Canon of organization for the Diocese was passed, setting up the boundaries of the new Dioceses; establishing a Provincial Synod which should meet as soon as two of the new Bishops were available, and providing for its own representation on that Synod. The new Provincial Synod met for the first time in St. John's Cathedral, Winnipeg, on August 3rd, 1875, and the Venerable Archdeacon Cowley was elected Prolocutor of the Lower House; there were no delegates from either of the Dioceses of Moosonee or Saskatchewan, but the Diocese of Athabasca was represented by the Reverend Canon Grisdale and Mr. W. G. Fonseca. The Right Reverend H. B. Whipple, Bishop of Minnesota, preached an eloquent sermon in the Cathedral on the Wednesday morning, and his concluding words, which are not out of place at the present time, were: "Brethren, if there ever was a body of Christians who ought to be careful to maintain good works, it is this Synod. I pray you in Christ's name leave unto others those questions which vex the Church with contentions and strifes. Be content to preach Christ and work in His Church. Speak to men plainly, in His words, of the conditions of salvation. Hold up, as the ensign over you in every battle with falsehood and error, the dear old creeds. Set forth in His name His Divine Sacraments. Do not attempt to define what God has not defined. Do not attempt to lay bare to human eyes what God has not revealed. Introduce no customs which will make yours a household divided against itself. Work and pray; hope on and hope ever. You who now go forth bearing precious seed shall come again, bringing your sheaves with you." (To be continued)



# I Believe in the Holy Catholic Church

By THE REV. F. A. PEAKE, L.Th., M.R.S.L.

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In the last chapter we saw that with the withdrawal from Britain of Roman troops to defend the Empire nearer home hostile pagan hordes poured into Britain. These Anglo-Saxons did their best to suppress the Catholic Faith although the fact that it took them almost two hundred years to do so shows that the Celtic Christians did not give in without a struggle. The Celts, driven from their settlements, fled to Wales, Cornwall, and Cumberland where they continued to practise their Faith. There they did two things—they organized their own Church and sent missionaries to Scotland, Ireland, and the mainland of Europe.

The Welsh Sees established at this period were Llandaff (circa 500), Bangor and St. David's (c. 540), and St. Asaph, (570). Meanwhile the Church in West Wales (Cornwall) was becoming equally strongly established.

## The Italian Mission

Everyone is probably familiar with the mission of St. Augustine to Britain in 597, and many seem to imagine that it represents the beginnings of the Catholic Church in Britain. This, as we have seen, was not so and the Roman Catholic "occupation" of Britain was at best an invasion (though it lasted a thousand years) with no essential difference from the occupation of Poland by Germany during the years 1939 to 1945.

The story of the Italian Mission to Britain goes back to the time when Gregory was a young monk. Walking one day in the market place at Rome he noticed some children with golden hair and blue eyes offered for sale as slaves. Upon asking the slave-owner who they were he was told that they were Angles—to which, as everyone knows, he made the reply, "Non Angli sed Angeli". Thereupon, he determined that at some time he would go and proclaim the saving Gospel of Christ to the tribe from which they came. Before he could do so, however, he was made Bishop of Rome and had to delegate another monk, Augustine, to fulfill the intention for him.

Gregory seems to have been a modest and unassuming soul, quite devoid of the baser ecclesiasticism which has marred some of the later occupants of the Roman See. In fact, when a patriarch of Constantinople called himself "Universal Bishop" Gregory denied his right to do so, and declared that any Bishop who adopted such a title would be nothing better than Antichrist. His instructions to Augustine were explicit—that he was to preach the Gospel and to assist in the development of a British Church without in any way striving to impose Roman supremacy. Augustine, who does not seem to have been a particularly spiritual man, was filled with worldly ambitions both for himself and for the Roman Church.

## Augustine and the British British Bishops

Having established himself in Kent Augustine's next concern was to get in touch with the British Bishops. As we have seen for nearly two hundred years the British Church had been isolated from the rest of Christendom and as a result some of its customs varied from those of other Churches. These differences were principally about the date of Easter, the shape of the tonsure, and the question whether in Holy Baptism the child should be immersed once as was the British practice or three times as the Romans insisted. These were minor details but they needed agreement and so a conference was arranged. The Venerable Bede tells us that before going to the Conference the British Bishops consulted a wise and devout hermit, as to whether they should forsake their own customs for those of Augustine. His reply was, "If he be a man of God, follow him." They said, "And how can he ascertain this?" Then he replied, "The Lord saith, 'Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart.' If, therefore, this Augustine is meek and lowly in heart it is credible that both he himself bears the yoke of Christ, and offers it to you to bear; but if he is stern and proud it is evident that he is not of God, and that

his discourse ought not to be regarded by us." And they again said, "And how can we discern even this?" "Contrive," said he, "that he shall come first to the place of meeting. If he rises to receive you, know that he is a servant of Christ. But if he despise you, and will not rise, let him be despised by you." This was no mere matter of courtesy, but a vital question: Would Augustine receive them as equals or as inferiors? Unfortunately for the claims of the Romanists Augustine adopted a very proud and disdainful attitude. The British deputation was a large one. Seven Bishops attended, accompanied by many monks and abbots and scholars but Augustine did not rise and bid them welcome. This was enough, "He could not have the spirit of Christ," and they refused to yield. They would observe none of his customs nor accept him as their Metropolitan for "if he would not rise up to us just now, how much the more will he despise us, if we begin to be subject to him." All hope of union between the ancient Church of the land and the new Italian mission was, for the time being at least, at an end.

(To be continued)

## BIBLE QUIZ

1. To whom did Jesus first appear on Easter Day?
2. How many sons did Jacob have?
3. What two disciples did not at first recognize the Risen Lord?
4. To whom did the Risen Lord say, "Lovest thou me?" three times?
5. Where did Abraham first live?
6. Who said to Pilate, "Have thou nothing to do with this just man?"
7. Who begged the body of Jesus from Pilate and put it in his own tomb?
8. What city's walls fell down flat at the sound of trumpets?
9. How many days were there between the Resurrection and the Ascension?
10. What king of Israel chose wisdom instead of riches or victory when God offered him whatever he asked?

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Hot arguments produce nothing but a cold shoulder.

Since you don't learn much by talking to yourself it pays to let others do a little of the talking.

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# Not Wanted

By REV. DAVID L. GREENE, Emerson, Man.

You have seen labels pasted on pieces of baggage arriving from Overseas, indicating that during the voyage these containers are not wanted. So they are stored out of the way in the ship's hold.

A good deal of life's luggage we treat in much the same way. Of course we do not paste "Not Wanted" stickers on irksome people's backs or on the door posts of uninteresting institutions but we plainly consign them to regions where they will be out of sight and mind. We make sure that our meaning is understood. Every time we give someone or some group the "brush off" or the "cold shoulder" we say in actions if not in words, "Not Wanted."

Kid brothers get it from older members of the alley gang; awkward girls get it from the High School social elite; new Canadians get it from the Anglo-Saxon stock of the community; new comers to the Parish feel it in the uninterested attitude towards them of old parishioners. The widow of a rural parish Rector once said to me after she took up residence in the city and began attending a large urban Church, "Oh why are Anglican people so cold?" After having spent years in the warm fellowship of a rural congregation she felt that in this new environment she was not wanted.

Even the Church itself with all its works of love gets the "Not wanted" nod from a large percentage of our citizens. They do not make any public declaration of policy; if asked, they would probably admit that the Church is a good thing for the community. But by ignoring her invitations to worship and her appeals for their interest and support they indicate an attitude of neutrality. So far as they are concerned the Church is not wanted.

After the voyage is completed the not wanted baggage assumes a new value. It is in great demand. If a passenger loses a single piece he lodges a complaint with the steamship company. He rests not until the lost has been found. Likewise there come times when many of the hitherto not wanted things of life become entirely desirable. Brought down out of the attic and dusted off or viewed in the light of new circumstances they are found to be truly valuable.

Our new Canadians, especially those of Japanese origin and threatened with

deportation, are a case in point. "Not wanted"—yet our country's outstanding need is more people; a greater population to fill up our open spaces, to develop our resources and build up our industries. Why do we perpetuate racial discriminations? When will we purge our speech of such epithets as "bohunk," "pea-soup" and "kraut"? When will we accept all our fellow citizens as Canadians irrespective of their racial origins? If we are to fulfil our national destiny we must realize that all who choose to make their homes amongst us in loyalty to our institutions are wanted.

Our Anglican Advance effort provides an excellent opportunity to convince new comers to our parishes and inactive Anglicans who are old residents that every last one of them is wanted. Just possibly the inner circle of workers and burden bearers have unwittingly allowed the impression to go abroad that they were all-sufficient and that others outside the parish brain trust were not wanted. I recall one time asking a humble minded and hitherto unrecognized communicant to be Rector's Warden. The man was so overcome with surprise he could scarcely speak. He proved an excellent warden and served the Church faithfully for years. Because he had not been sought sooner he had come to think he was not wanted.

There are numbers of parishioners in our congregations who have ability that is not being used because they have been overlooked, and led to think they are unwanted baggage. A division of labour such as is contemplated in our A.A.A. visitation should discover many of these and convince them that they are urgently needed in our Church's work.

At the conclusion of each phase of life's journey the unwanted thing, like the trunk stored in the ship's hold, is disvoted to be wanted. Thoughtless young people who have shunned the Church since Sunday School days come back looking for the parson, the organist and the choir when they wish to get married. They want the Church badly then. They may not see the inside of it again till Junior is to be baptized but when that time arrives the not wanted Institution is wanted once more for they wish to do for Junior after the custom of their own parents. They may ignore the Church again for years. But if a member of the

family dies they want the Church to lay their beloved dead to rest.

Actual statistics and even a Gallup Poll are lacking to determine what percentage of people in Canada would say that they do not want the Church. I have heard it said that five out of six persons pass the Church's door on Sundays and thus seem to indicate that they would not care if the Church ceased to exist. That would appear to prove by Democracy's test of rule by majority that the Church is not wanted by most Canadians.

Yet there are other considerations which give the lie to such a conclusion. One of the most fiercely defended freedoms for which our men fought in the recent war was that of religion—in our case, the Christian religion. The large attendance at church on days of prayer during the war and on V-E Day and V-J Day proved that in the crises of life the Church is wanted. She fills a great need in the human heart.

Dorothy Thompson in a recent article, "The Churches and World Order," a title quoted from a report made by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, pays high tribute to this report as a Christian criticism of secular policy in regard to peace plans. She bespeaks a hearing for the framers of this report. It is refreshing and stimulating when a newspaper columnist thus testifies to the power and influence of the Christian Church in the shaping of world peace. It is a timely recognition of the fact that in spite of much evidence to the contrary, the Church, for its salutary influence, is still wanted in the world.

"Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord . . . as arrows in the hands of a mighty man. . . . Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them." We have travelled far since the Psalmist wrote those words. Could you imagine them used as a wall motto text and hung in a modern apartment living room? Not for a minute! What with block owners refusing to grant children living space and self-centred young couples not allowing babies to interfere with their pursuit of pleasure, the Psalmist would need to revise his lines: Lo, children are an heritage of the devil . . . as burdens on the back of beaten man. . . . Unhappy is the man that has one or two of them.—But definitely, children are out—not wanted.

Yet there come times in life's down hill days when children are wanted. When husbands and wives should be renewing their youth by entering into the joyous

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## Not Wanted

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activities of their boys and girls; when they should be watching with pride and interest their children's development. Later, still, when sons and daughters should be coming home to visit and cheer up aging parents. They are lonely old folks indeed who have no kith or kin of a younger generation to take an interest in them and perform those loving ministrations which only sons and daughters can perform. The baggage of life that formerly was not wanted becomes the wanted—but unattainable.

That was the world into which Jesus came to save man from their sins—a world that did not want Him. It is the same world into which He comes today for the same purpose. By the vast majority of His contemporaries he was not wanted because He demanded acceptance of Himself as Saviour and a high standard of consecrated and sacrificial living. By a large percentage of people today He is not wanted for the same reason.

But there were a few in the days of His flesh who, like the penitent thief on the Cross, did want Him—and wanted Him desperately. That number has grown through the centuries until we count them in millions. Yet the great heart of Jesus will never be satisfied until those others who do not want Him become those who do want Him . . . until "the kingdoms of this world become the Kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ." "I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men to Me."

The great enterprise that is engaging the minds and energies of nations today is the building of a peace that will be permanent. How often a similar problem exercised the Jews regarding the Holy City. How earnestly they were urged to pray for the peace of Jerusalem. How grievously they missed their opportunity when they rejected their Saviour. How deeply He was touched by their blindness. "When He was come near, He beheld the city and wept over it saying, "If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong to thy peace!"

Will our nations perceive today the things which belong unto our peace—the peace we so earnestly desire? There seems to be a vast body of opinion that the only peace with a chance of enduring must be one animated by the Spirit of Christ. This sentiment must become more nearly unanimous. To make it so is the task of the Christian Churches. There are so many hearts and homes and communities in our so-called Christian land where

Christ is not wanted.

Our Anglican Advance Appeal is the method adopted by our Church to discharge our share of responsibility towards creating an universal hunger for Christ. It recognizes that Christ must be commended to those who do not want Him. What is the situation in your community, in our home, in your own life? Is Jesus wanted or not wanted? What are you going to do about it?

## A Book You Should Read

"They Found the Church There"—  
The Armed Forces Discover Missions.

Henry P. Van Dusen has written an enthralling book which everyone should read. It should be read by those who are sceptical about Missions. Even the most sceptical will be convinced. It should be read by those who are keen on missions because it will strengthen and confirm their faith. In any case it should be read.

"They Found the Church There" (M.S.C.C., 85c) is the story of the way in which Christian Missions helped to win the war against Japan and of the surprise of the average fighting man to discover that the Christian Church in Papuan was a real force. American and Australian soldiers know what they owe to the loyalty and courage of those whom they call, with real affection, the fuzzy-wuzzies. The book is full of stories of what the fighting men owe to the natives and full too of glowing tributes to the work of the missionaries—Anglican, Wesleyan and Roman Catholic. At the end of the book there is a list of testimonies from soldiers, such as the following: "I have had to abolish from my mind the ideas I had picked up about mission work when at home;" "Two years ago I doubt if any type of missionary work would have interested me; but after seeing the poverty and tragic sights I am ashamed of myself." "The missionaries have proved their worth many, many times since we came overseas."

## Post-Mortem

The family were back from church and the usual post-mortem was in progress. Father criticized the sermon, and mother was caustic about the singing. Julia, the eldest daughter, shivered and declared she would never go again unless the heating system was improved. And so the criticism went on. But little Tommy "guillotined" the whole debate by remarking: "I think it was a jolly good show for a nickel!"

—CHURCH OF ENGLAND Newspaper.

## CALENDAR

May, 1946

- 1—St. Philip A. & M., and St. James A. & M.
- 5—2nd SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.
- 12—3rd SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.
- 19—4th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.
- 26—5th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.
- ROGATION SUNDAY.
- 30—ASCENSION DAY.

## LITTLE JESUS

When Jesus was a little Boy  
I think He loved to play  
And run about and laugh and sing  
As children do today.  
I think He loved the little winds  
The draindrops and the sun  
And watched the lantern stars peep out  
When gentle day was done.  
I think He loved God's creatures too  
And roamed the woods and hills  
And sometimes cooled His childish feet  
In silver meadow rills.  
He was so gentle, good, and kind  
And so each night I pray  
"Dear Heavenly Father let me grow  
More like Him every day."

## To Every Reader:

From sheer goodness of heart and in a sincere attempt to help forward the cause of Christ and His Church, a number of people in each parish have volunteered to visit the Anglican homes in the Diocese to present the financial appeal of the Advance.

They are getting nothing out of it except hard work and a happiness which comes through service.

You can help them much by receiving them with kindness and by responding to the limit of your ability, all in the spirit of co-operation.

Victory leaves a vacuum—nothing more to hate—and you can't fill a vacuum with empty-living.

WE CAN BECOME A FORCE IN BUILDING A CHRISTIAN WORLD!



## Rural Deanery of Edmonton

### ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

THE VERY REV. A. M. TRENDALL

THE REV. H. G. BRANT

We are very happy to report that the Easter Services were very well attended and the Easter spirit seemed to be very present in the congregations that thronged the Cathedral Easter Sunday. We appreciated having our old friend Canon Crane-Williams with us that day to assist at the 7 o'clock celebration, in the morning, and to celebrate for us at the 12.15 celebration of Holy Communion. Canon Crane-Williams also conducted the Three Hours' Meditation on Good Friday and his addresses were truly inspired. At Evensong, Easter Sunday, the Bishop preached a sermon that reflected and summed up the Easter services excellently.

Much appreciation and thanks must be expressed to Mr. Barford and the choir for their decidedly beautiful rendition of Moore's "The Darkest Hour." Mr. Walker of St. Peter's sang our Lord's part magnificently in a full and rich baritone; and we would like to express our appreciation to him for the generous lending of his talents on this occasion. Mrs. V. Phillips sang the part of the Narrator, and did so very well indeed.

April 29th there is to be a congregational dinner sponsored by the W.A. and assisted by other organizations in the church. After the dinner there is to be a short entertainment put on by various talented members of the congregation.

After Evensong on May 5th there is to be an official reception for All Saints' members for the returned forces personnel. This also is to be a congregational affair presented expressly for the purpose of re-acquainting the congregation with our returned men and of welcoming them back to their parish church. Much effort was put into the approaching of our returned men for this occasion and if anyone was missed we are very sorry. However, it is to be hoped that the men will now feel that All Saints' is truly their parish church and that they will feel at home and happy to worship with us.

The Chi Rho Fellowship, our new young people's group of the age of 21 and over, is functioning now. We trust that it will enlarge itself and become a vigorous and active group in the church. We still meet every second Thursday night at 8 p.m. in the parish hall, and we would welcome anyone 21 years of age and over who would like to join us. This organization was formed expressly for the older young people of the congregation, especially returned personnel, and our self-made constitution reads that we are desirous of learning the Christian Faith further by the three-fold programme of Service and Action; Study and Discussion, and Social-Recreation. Should you want further information about the Chi Rho Fellowship

we urge you to approach our president, the Rev. H. G. Brant, or our secretary, Mrs. Margo Clarke, or any present member of the organization.

Friday, May 17th, in the evening and in the parish hall an entertainment is being sponsored by the Parents' Association of the 1st Edmonton Boy Scouts' Troop and Cub Pack.

### CATHEDRAL BUILDING FUND

The Building Fund is progressing steadily and contributions are coming in on most days each month. The present standing of the Fund (April 23rd) is \$13,291. Of this total sum, \$3,788 has been subscribed from sources outside the congregation of All Saints', and \$9,503 by the congregation.

### CHRIST CHURCH

THE REV. E. S. OTTLEY

Now that Lent and Easter are over we can take stock of ourselves and see where we stand as a church. It has been most encouraging to see the response to the Visitation which has made itself felt in the increased attendance at the services. We trust that the two-fold challenge of this time: "The Church needs you—you need the Church," will continue to bind our people still more closely to the Church.

On Good Friday we were greatly privileged to have the Bishop conduct the Three Hours Meditations. There was a good attendance, and many were the comments of appreciation of the Bishop's words.

On Good Friday evening the choir presented the Cantata, "The Story of Calvary" (Adams). We are always surprised that the church is not filled for these occasions when the Passion music is sung. We know that those who come find it truly worth while.

Easter Sunday was marked by excellent attendances, especially at the 11 o'clock service, when the church was crowded to its capacity. The number of communicants gave evidence of the continued loyalty of our people to the Faith.

Scouts: The annual Father and Son Banquet of the 25th Troop was held on Easter Monday. An excellent supper was provided by the Mothers' Committee, and Mr. John Turner, as chairman, conducted the formalities in his customary happy way. Among the guests was Supt. Darling of the R.C.M.P., who is the District Commissioner of the Boy Scouts, and he spoke briefly in encouragement of the parents to continue their interest in this great work, and presented the challenge most forcibly to press on to even greater accomplishments. One of the great moments of the evening was the investiture of two King's Scouts, which brings the total invested this year to ten, truly a fine record for our Troop. Our congratulations go to the Scoutmaster, "Doc" Foster, and his assistant, Les Pilcher.

W.A.: The W.A. are holding a Bridge in the Empire Room of the "Bay" on May 7th.

Young Women's Club: On May 15th the Young Women are holding a tea and sale of home cooking in the parish hall.

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Canon W. M. Nainby

Easter Day, with its message of the Risen Lord, was a glorious day in every way. The beautiful sunshine, and the large numbers of worshippers all proved an inspiration, and reflected the triumph and victory of this great festival. There was not enough room for all who came to the 11 o'clock service, when the Bishop preached. This service was broadcast, so that the Bishop might address all throughout the Diocese, who for any reason were not present in their own church. The choir sang the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Good Friday was also a great day in our Church life. There was a good attendance at the Three Hours Devotions, conducted by the Rector, and the choir sang the sacred Cantata, "The Crucifixion" in the evening.

During Lent the mid-week services were very well attended, especially by our young people. We also enjoyed a visit from the Rev. F. Tseng, on March 31st.

Anglican Advance Appeal: The financial appeal is to be made this month. Mr. T. W. Bull is our campaign chairman, and the support of all interested men is requested in making the canvass a success. We hope that everyone will give generously, remembering that their gift or promise represents a thankoffering for the next three years.

Men's Club: We enjoyed a talk on "Home Gardens" by Mr. A. Paton of the Oliver Institution staff at our last meeting.

Reception: The congregational reception to returned men and women was a particularly happy and sociable occasion.

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and a large number attended. One outstanding feature of the evening was the presentation of an Illuminated Address to Mrs. May, in appreciation of her work with the W.A. Active Service Group.

**Confirmation:** A quiet and impressive Confirmation was held in the chapel on Monday, April 8th, when eleven adults were confirmed. A reception was held in the rectory following the service.

**Sanctuary Guild:** A presentation was made to Mrs. R. C. Casper and Miss "Bunny" Casper who are leaving for Tasmania shortly. Mrs. Casper has been president of the Guild for over twelve years, and we shall miss her very much. Our prayers and good wishes go with them both.

**Parish Guild:** Members of the Parish Guild helped with the reception for the returned members of the congregation on April 5th.

**W.A.:** We are very happy to report the Tea, held at the home of Mrs. May for the Mary Ord Memorial Fund, was most successful and passed all expectations. We thank all our friends for their generous support.

Plans are under way for a Missionary Tea to be held in the church basement on May 17th.

**Sunday Schools:** We are pleased that two of our children, Shirley Mansfield and Harry Finnegan, won Silver Medals for Eloquence at the W.C.T.U. Festival, held recently.

Easter Day saw a surplined Sunday School choir leading the singing at our Children's Service. We are grateful for the work done by Mr. and Mrs. Brown with this choir. We were also glad to have the Garneau school with us on Easter Day.

**Mother's Union:** Mrs. Nainby concluded her interesting paper on the "History of the Church of England," at the April meeting.

The Group will meet on May 2nd at the home of Mrs. C. Mison.

**Young Women's Fellowship:** We are catering for the choir dinner which is to be held on April 25th.

A rummage sale has been planned for May 16th, and we hope all our friends will save for it from their spring cleaning.

**Choir:** On Good Friday evening the choir presented Stainer's sacred cantata, "The Crucifixion." Mr. W. Townsend and Mr. A. White were the soloists.

We are very sorry to record this month the death of Mrs. James. The choir sang at the funeral.

## ST. FAITH'S

THE REV. L. M. WATTS

Dean Waterman visited us on the 24th of March, preaching at the evening service. Dean Waterman is the Dominion Organizer for The Anglican Advance Appeal. His emphasis on the layman's part of the Advance Movement gave us inspiration to go on to greater heights.

Following a recent choir practice an election of officers was held, resulting as follows: President, Mr. D. Edwards; Vice-Pres., Mr. A. P. Pirie; Sec.-Treas., Mr. V. T. Young; Mistress of Robes, Mrs. W. Allison; Librarian, Mr. W. Tout; Visiting Committee, Mrs. R. Price and Mr. W. Allison.

The Lenten congregational meeting, held in the parish hall on the evening of April 10th, was very well attended and every minute was enjoyed by all. The programme consisted of community hymn singing, four anthems by the choir, a solo by Mrs. Barson, and the showing of the film "The First Easter." Light refreshments were served by the W.A. (Afternoon Group) to conclude a most enjoyable evening.

On Thursday, April 11th, the Rector journeyed to Onoway and preached at the Lenten service there.

At the last Vestry meeting the financial side of the Anglican Advance Appeal was discussed. The members were unanimous in the thought that we should aim for the complete parish objective of \$3,178.10 during the coming year.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we report the increased attendance at the Sunday services. It must be a great encouragement to all concerned.

The annual Sanctuary Guild Tea will be held at the rectory on the afternoon of April 24th, from 3 to 5 o'clock. All are welcome.

**W.A. (Afternoon Group):** A Mother's Day tea is to be held in the parish hall during the early part of May. There will be a sale of aprons and fancy work. The date will be announced later.

A presentation of a Prayer Book will be sent to Mrs. Carrington, a former member of the Group, who has left the city. The best wishes for her health and happiness in her new home from us all.

**W.A. (Evening Group):** At the last devotional meeting of the Group Mrs. Watts gave a paper on "Sierra Leone."

Mrs. Mackay, our former treasurer, having left the city, Miss E. Riddel has been appointed to that office. A presentation was made to Mrs. Mackay on her departure.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

THE REV. S. G. WEST

Activity since the last issue of the CHURCHMAN has included the formation of The St. John's Women's Guild, with Mrs. Dave Sandilands as temporary present and Mrs. Cyril Jones as temporary secretary. Since in this re-organized parish few of the members know one another, it was thought advisable to defer elections. Some twelve members have joined. The object is to assist in the building of the new church and to help the work of the parish generally. One excellent task undertaken has been the minding of pre-school children in the hall while parents worship at morning prayer. This is a growing work.

The Guild is also assisting the W.A. in keeping the church clean and orderly.

These two sister organizations—the Guild and the W.A.—promise to do great work for the Church in the parish.

It is proposed to re-start the St. John's groups of Guides and Brownies.

The main news is that there has been a petition lodged with the city authorities against our obtaining a building site on land now designated as park land at 109th Street and University Avenue. Some misrepresentation has taken place, and a public meeting is planned to thresh out the whole matter.

If we can obtain the proposed land with the good will of responsible residents we shall have one of the loveliest building sites in the city, with no loss of beauty. The piece of land in question is too small for a park, but it can be a beauty spot with a church, and should be an inspiration to the community at large.

Some ten men of the parish have undertaken visiting in connection with the Anglican Advance Movement, and this most important work is proving invaluable.

Repairs have been made to the outside of the buildings with hired help, while the men, under the leadership of Mr. F. Tomlinson, have sized and calclimined the parish hall, improving the place tremendously.

Miss Patricia Rose, erstwhile Sunday School teacher, was recently married by the priest-in-charge of St. John's at Holy Trinity, to Mr. Herbert Panter. We wish them all happiness.

The envelope system has been inaugurated, with Mrs. C. T. Jones as Envelope Secretary. Mrs. Coulson is "Edmonton Churchman" secretary and orders may be placed with her. The CHURCHMAN is an invaluable aid to Anglicans in keeping in the Church's picture.

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**ST. LUKE'S**

CANON W. H. HATFIELD

Everyone is looking forward to spring! Already the birds are seeking their nesting places in the vicarage garden. Easter will be with us next Sunday with its wonderful message: Jesus risen! Our long winters, culminating in the season of Lent, seem almost endless, but the age-old promise is always kept—"Lo, the winter is past, the time of singing birds is come;" the song of Easter swells again in our hearts, "Welcome happy morning!"

On Palm Sunday the usual distribution of palm crosses (made this year by the A.Y.P.A.) marked the day. The large palm leaves on the altar were especially beautiful, and the flowers, too, were lovely, being the gift of one of our families who delight in beautifying the church.

The Senior and Junior Choirs are busy preparing the cantata pageant which will be produced on Low Sunday, April 28th.

The Senior Boys' Club has been re-organized and is meeting regularly under the leadership of Sinclair Coghill, one of our "old boys" recently discharged from the R.C.A.F.

We are looking forward to Whitsunday when the Bishop will be with us at Evensong. At this service a Thankoffering in connection with the Anglican Advance Appeal will be presented. Having in mind the many blessings we in Canada enjoy, it is hoped that this Thankoffering will be a worthy one.

**ST. MARK'S**

THE REV. A. ELLIOTT

The W.A. have planned an Easter supper for Thursday, April 25th and, as it is many years since such an endeavor has been undertaken, we are sure it will prove a great success.

The Senior Girls' W.A. are preparing plans for entertaining the other branches of the city at a supper conference. The guest speaker will be Miss G. Marindin.

The membership of the Junior W.A. has now increased to fifteen. They are very busy with embroidery work for a future sale.

Members of the A.Y.P.A. have recently enrolled in the "Busy Beaver Club." Equipped with all the accoutrements for housecleaning they worked enthusiastically one night, stretching their necks to wash the much-neglected ceiling of the parish hall. This was only the beginning. The kitchen and cloakroom were scoured too. Their next major job will be the church, the floor of which is to be thoroughly scrubbed and polished, together with the woodwork. It is indeed gratifying to know that we have such ambitious young people, who are thus able to share the burden of work, which hitherto has been left to the faithful few of the W.A.

The Sunday School have changed their services from 2 p.m. to 10 a.m. in the hope that this will be more satisfactory to the parents. The school will sponsor a Whist Drive on Saturday, May 4th, at 8.15 p.m.

Recently the Choir received their shipment of new hymn books. Unfortunately they only had the pleasure of using them

for two weeks when all but two of them were stolen. This was indeed a very unhappy misfortune. The Sunday School have been very kind and donated twenty dollars, so that we might buy some psalters and few new mortar-boards. The Choir were very grateful for this gift.

The Vestry soon hope to have the gas installed in the church; with this completed the heating unit will be totally modern, saving our janitor from many laborious tasks. Within the near future the Vestry expect to set forth the activities, services and opportunities lying within the church, by issuing a small pamphlet for distribution to all interested within the parish.

We are very glad to see Mrs. H. Bromley at church again after her very serious illness. The church members were very shocked to hear of the tragic accident to Mr. G. Hay, and our hopes and prayers are for his strength and ultimate recovery.

**ST. MARY'S**

THE REV. A. ELLIOTT

Confirmation classes for boys and girls are being held each Thursday at 4.30 and 6.30. Adults who may wish to be confirmed at the next Confirmation are requested to give in their names immediately.

The Sunday School now has an enrollment of 130 and creates a problem for seating in both church and hall. The superintendent and teachers are to be congratulated on having brought about this problem of which any church might be proud.

The financial part of the Anglican Advance Appeal is just upon us and St. Mary's asked to give \$1,500—of which it is hoped that much of it will be donated this year. The week of 12th to 19th of May has been set aside throughout the Dominion for the first great effort and St. Mary's must not be behind.

By order of the authorities some repairs will have to be made to the south wall of the church basement. This will involve considerable expense. We ask all our people to be especially generous during these years of advance and improvement.

The "Extension fund" is of course still open and some who have promised to contribute have not yet done so. Others who should be glad to give and are able to give have not sent in any contribution. St. Mary's and its members are one body, and all should be glad to join in its progress.

Mrs. Mary E. Anderson and Dorothy are leaving Edmonton soon for the East. They and the Arnotts are the two oldest families in the parish. Both Mrs. Arnott and Mrs. Anderson were members of St. Mary's and its W.A. from its beginning. John Anderson was ordained priest in St. Mary's in 1936. Mrs. Anderson, Miss Dorothy Anderson and Alec. are joining Jack at Hamilton, Ontario. We shall miss them all and our good wishes and that of the whole church go with them. We thank them for the great work they have done through the years in St. Mary's.

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Sunday School 12.15 p.m.

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Thursday, Saturday; 10 a.m. Wed.  
Evensong and Confessions Saturday,  
7.30 p.m.  
Confirmation on Sunday, May 19th,  
at 7.30 p.m

On Passion Sunday we had the privilege of a visit from the Bishop who preached at the morning service

We are very much indebted to the Rev. F. A. Peake for giving the addresses at the Lenten services each Friday and for taking the Three Hours Devotion on Good Friday.

On Easter Sunday our old friends Mr. and Mrs. J. Cooper, who are shortly leaving to make their home at Victoria, were presented with an engraved copy of the Hymn Book and an umbrella. The Hymn Book was a gift from the choir of which Mr. Cooper has been a member for years past remembering. The umbrella was a gift from members of the congregation, who thought that Mrs. Cooper would need protection from the rain now that she is leaving sunny Alberta.

During Lent the A.Y.P.A. has sponsored a number of gatherings in the parish hall at which the speakers have been Dean Trendell, Sister Isabel, and Miss Dick. There was a good attendance on each occasion and the addresses were much appreciated.

A considerable amount of visiting has been done in connection with the Anglican Advance Appeal. Some of those visited expressed themselves as "not interested," a state of mind which strikes one as singularly futile.

The choir has grown considerably lately both in numbers and efficiency and is doing great credit to Mrs. Swaffield.

It has been a great pleasure to welcome back again Hamish MacGregor and Stanley Noble.

GIBBONS

THE REV. W. W. BUXTON

One of the high lights of community happenings was the visit of the Rev. F. Tseng on April 1st. By the courtesy of the Gibbon Hall Board the hall was made available for holding a meeting, and many attended to hear what Mr. Tseng had to tell us. His address was about China which he had left just before the outbreak of war. He has, however, kept himself informed as to existing conditions. What

Mr. Tseng had to say was most interesting, informative, and delivered at times in a humorous vein that was refreshing. He spoke on such matters as the immensity of the territory—a subject we Canadians well understand—the population, its proportion to that of the world; the numbers of Christians, yet so infinitesimal in comparison with the total number of the inhabitants; the educational system and its rigid requirements to qualify for professional or administrative positions; the currency, with its abnormally low value at present time; and the need of workers and more workers to carry on the immense work of continuing and extending the work of the Church.

Refreshments were served afterwards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tim. Gibbons. Amongst those present was Mr. Yet You, a compatriot of Mr. Tseng, and one who is held in high esteem by all members of the community.

The Rev. F. Tseng in recounting one experience while on tour, mentioned that during one question time he was asked: "Do the Chinese really believe that their ancestors will rise up and devour the rice that is contained in the bowl placed on

their grave?" The answer was non-committal; "Just the same as your ancestors will rise up to smell the flowers on their graves!"

We shall all have happy memories of mission week, which terminated on Good Friday, of the many times we have met together to join in prayer and praise. Especially shall we remember with affectionate regard the Rev. F. A. Peake who by his pleasing personality, his gift of presenting his subject in such a manner as to hold the full attention of his hearers, making it a pleasure to listen to him and easy to mark, learn and inwardly digest matters appertaining to prayer, Christian fellowship, the Church and the sacraments, which he spoke about during the week. It is to be hoped his visit will not have been in vain and that we shall have been spiritually strengthened, and that we shall go forward together as a congregation, realizing the full implication of the Advance Appeal of the Church in Canada.

The Rev. D. G. R. Read also paid our parish a visit just before he left for the Old Country. We always enjoy and are benefited when listening to Mr. Read's message, as he seems to impart strength and vigor to his hearers.

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ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

CANON W. DE V. A. HUNT

The W.A. catered to a Masonic evening during this month. They gave a shower for Marjorie Boles, who is soon to be married, and a farewell party for Mrs. Boles, who has been a valued and faithful member of the W.A. for a number of years. When Mrs. Boles and Marjorie leave for Langley Prairie, their future home, our good wishes will go with them. Marjorie received some pretty and useful gifts, and Mrs. Boles was presented with a parting present, from the members of the W.A.

We were honored with a visit from the Bishop on April 5th. He took an evening service, and later met the Vestry in the vicarage. The sincerity and simplicity of his messages to this parish are always appreciated and happily remembered, and must further this Advance Movement.

I should like to quote from a recent letter from Miss Meville our special missionary at Hay River: "We have a very nice church for this north country, built of logs, and faced inside and out with galvanized iron, inside walls painted buff color, ceiling white, bordered with grey, matching the floor. The natives renewed the painting last summer. The altar table is nicely carved, given by a relation of Mr. Mitchen, a mission worker who was killed in the last war. There are two brass

plates, one to him and the other to mission boys who also served at that time, also three stained glass windows given in remembrance. We have also a good organ, which is such a help in services. The natives do love music."

HATTONFORD

The congregation of All Saints' Church, Hattonford, has suffered a grievous loss in the sudden death of Mr. J. R. Woodring, an old-timer in the district and a former church warden. The sympathy of the congregation goes out to Mrs. Woodring and Joan in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Woodring's funeral was conducted in Edmonton by Canon J. C. Matthews, a former priest-in-charge of the Hattonford Mission. "In the midst of life we are in death; of whom may we seek for succour but of Thee, O Lord."

ST. MARY AND ST. GEORGE JASPER

THE REV. T. C. B. BOON

Attendance at Sunday services has improved somewhat during Lent, the congregations being considerably better on Mothering Sunday and on Palm Sunday. A special invitation to attend in family groups on the former day brought an encouraging response, and the services on

Palm Sunday were quite an improvement, especially in the evening, when, for the first time for several months, we had a good choir. If the members of the choir would only realize their tremendous responsibility and the extent to which they contribute to the heartiness of the service, they would never be absent from their places. On March 29th we had the pleasure of having the Reverend Francis Tseng with us, and he gave a very stimulating address at the Service of Intercession; it was cheering to note the good attendance. Earlier in the day Mr. Tseng addressed the High School and was highly pleased with the intelligence of the questions asked him by the students about China. The school staff entertained him to tea afterwards.

Except for the interest of the children, who were keenly appreciative, the experiment of showing films in the parish hall on Wednesday evenings during Lent was not a success. Perhaps we should have charged a high price for admission! We are, however, grateful to Major and David Kitson, Mr. Cleveland and Tom Peterson for their kindness in operating the machine. The films were excellent and showed the opportunities awaiting the Church.

The W.A. groups have been meeting regularly, and are busily engaged on their Dorcas work. The J.B.W.A. took a keen interest in the films and arranged picnic suppers in the parish hall after their meetings each night the films were shown.

Attendance at Sunday School has been maintained, and with the better weather there have been some new beginners. Parents are reminded that the G.B.R.E. examinations will be held in the school on May 4th at 10 a.m.

We are sorry to lose Major and Mrs. Kitson and David from the congregation. During their residence in Jasper they were amongst our most faithful and most regular attendants, and we hope that they will be very happy in their new field of service in Saskatoon. After the Wednesday service on March 20th two pictures of the church were presented to them.

We are glad to welcome back to the parish Mr. E. White, Mr. F. A. Bryant and Harold Cleveland, after their long service overseas. At the Vestry meeting on April 2nd the Vicar announced that he had appointed Mr. White as his Warden.

#### THE ONOWAY MISSION THE REV. F. A. PEAKE

##### St. John's, Onoway:

During Lent we have been having Evensong each Thursday and have been glad to welcome several of the Diocesan clergy. Among our visitors we have had Archdeacon Tackaberry, The Revs. W. W. Buxton, R. S. Faulks and L. M. Watts, and are most grateful to them for their thoughtful messages.

On March 26th the Sea Scouts were inspected by Mr. H. B. Holloway, the newly appointed Provincial Executive Commissioner. The meeting was open to all and, after a showing of Scout films, refreshments were served by the Sea Scouts' mothers. At the parade four new Sea Scouts were invested: H. P. Lee, E. A.

Spreen, W. T. R. Vaughan and R. D. Yetzer.

As I write word has just come of the sudden passing of Mrs. C. Armistead, sr., one of the pioneers of this district. A daughter of the late Thomas Taylor, Hudson's Bay factor at Lac Ste Anne, Mrs. Armistead came with her family in 1897, later marrying Mr. Cecil Armistead. For many years Mrs. Armistead had been a member, and since 1936 a Life Member of St. John's W.A., which her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor was instrumental in forming. Her passing removes yet another link with the early days of the community. She will be missed not only by the members of her own family, but by the whole community.

##### St. Peter's, Brookdale:

Unfortunately, bad roads have made it impossible to have any services since Christmas, but we hope to start again soon. Meanwhile the W.A. have been meeting as usual.

##### St. Timothy's, Calahoo:

Here again impassable roads have curtailed the number of services. Two of the young people are preparing for Confirmation, receiving their instruction by correspondence, but after Easter this will be supplemented by classes. With the warmer weather we hope that it will be possible to paint the church, the material for which were obtained last autumn.

##### St. Saviour's, Wabamun:

Midweek activities here are continuing even though Sunday services are less frequent than we could wish for. Three new Sea Scouts were invested at the last meeting, Don Lackie, Fred Bryant and Ray Kopec.

##### St. Matthew's, Duffield:

An epidemic of measles has for the time being put a stop to the classes in Christian doctrine at Duffield but these will be resumed after Easter. The Vicar is also giving religious instruction at Smithfield school.

##### St. Aidan's, Rexboro:

Congregations of late have been decidedly "thin" but we hope that with the coming of spring they will improve. Religious instruction is being given in

Rexboro school on Thursday afternoons. **Fallis:**

In addition to the class in Christian doctrine a monthly service is held in a building owned by the United Church but not used by them. The furnishings from St. Peter's, Entwistle, are in use there. **All Saints', Seba Beach:**

Plans are well under way for the erection of a church this summer. At a recent meeting a committee was appointed and a canvass for funds is being made by Messrs. Lawrence, Ryley, Wood and English.

##### Tomahawk:

Since the departure of a resident priest from Wabamun it has not been possible to hold more than occasional services in Tomahawk. However, there are several candidates for Confirmation and it is hoped that they will be able to attend the services at Seba Beach.

##### Rich Valley, Sion, Alberta Beach:

Services are held in these centres as opportunity offers but it is hoped that with some assistance during the summer months more attention can be given to them.

The Onoway-Wabamun Mission as at present constituted covers an area of some twelve hundred square miles, ministering to some 250 Church families as well as many others which are without the ministrations of their own communions. Services are held at twelve centres and in each there is room of the extension, development and consolidation of our work. The need for full-time lay or clerical assistance is imperative.

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**ST. JOHN'S, CADOMIN**

THE REV. T. TEAPE

The highlight of the month's activities was the Bishop's visit, and the confirmation service which was held on March 31st. There were four candidates at Cadomin, Mr. and Mrs. Lent, Miss Docherty and Mr. Johnson. We had hoped that the candidates from Luscar and Mountain Park would be able to attend our service, but the condition of the roads made their coming impossible.

After the service the congregation adjourned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, where the ladies of the church served a delicious luncheon. We all heartily enjoyed this get-together of our church family.

On Monday, April 1st, we bade a reluctant farewell to the Bishop. His visit was, as always, an inspiration to us.

This month's W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gowers. There were seven members present. Considerable routine business was done, and we advanced further in our study of "More Than Conquerors." The book is particularly interesting to those of us who saw the lantern slides when they were in the parish last month. The next meeting is to be held at Miss Moldowan's home on May 1st.

Nowhere, we think, is the younger generation more "sports minded" than on the Coal Branch. Getting to Luscar for the confirmation service on Sunday had been a struggle. Three times the taxi had tried to make the first hill and three times it had stuck. Clearly the road was impassable. At last a kind friend had transported the Bishop and Mr. Teape on a speeder.

The following Thursday Mr. Teape was giving an account of this trip to a group of people at Sterco. When the recital was over, a small boy heaved a great sigh. "Well," he said, "so you got there in the end?" "Yes," replied Mr. Teape, "we got there." "Good," said the boy. "And who won?"

**FOOTHILLS**

The Bishop visited Foothills' church April 3rd and 4th. A confirmation service was held on the 3rd, when a very large congregation were inspired by the beauty of the service and the deeply spiritual address of the Bishop. Four candidates were presented by the Rector, Mrs. Annetta Lain, Mrs. Margaret Botrakoff, James Morris and Florence Botrakoff. A reception was held after the service, when all members of the congregation had the opportunity of meeting and speaking with the Bishop, always a joy and inspiration. He has a warm and affectionate place in the hearts of his people here. Refreshments were served by the W.A.

On April 3rd Holy Baptism was administered to James Morris, who later that day came forward for confirmation.

**LUSCAR**

The 31st March was a very special day in our church, as we had a visit from the Bishop. It was a beautiful Confirmation

Service and most impressive. The Bishop's address was much appreciated.

The W.A. held the usual monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Cairns. The possibility of holding a gift tea to spare us for the annual bazaar was discussed. It was decided that we hold a shower at the next meeting for the Hay River hospital. Tea was served by Mrs. H. Evans and Mrs. A. Evans, Jr.

Confirmation: Mrs. Babala, Mrs. Danyluk, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Cairns, Alberta May Scott, Evelyn Cowling, Jessie Cowling, Judy Cowling, Mrs. Mordene.

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A girls' choir has been formed, with the following members: Mary Kynoch, Betty

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THE VEN. W. LEVERSEDGE

As anticipated, the Bishop was with us for the evening service March 17th, when he gave us an interesting and inspiring talk as a prelude to the opening phase of our work in connection with the Anglican Advance Appeal. The various committees were requested to come forward into the chancel, and God's blessing was asked on their coming efforts. Everyone felt it was a most impressive beginning to this great work, and we are hopeful of very fruitful results.

The W.A. held their Spring Tea and Sale of Home Cooking and Aprons in the rectory, April 5th, and the results were most gratifying. It was a beautiful day and many people turned out to give their support, and also to inspect the new rectory, which was thought to be the real drawing card.

A petition to the Prime Minister regarding the Japanese repatriates was read at the last W.A. meeting, but it was felt there was not a full enough representation of members to warrant taking a decision on it, so it is being held over to the next meeting.

**INNISFREE**

THE REV. S. J. BELL

Morning prayer is once again at the old time of 9.45 a.m. At our last service the people did not seem to be aware of the change of time as only a very small congregation greeted Mr. Bell. It is to be hoped they will soon be used to the new (old) time.

Mrs. T. Daniel entertained the W.A. at her home on April 11th. The evening was pleasantly spent playing whist. Having been unable to hold our calendar tea this year the calendars were handed in during the evening and ten dollars was realized.

The J.W.A. are busy practising for a missionary play, which they hope to present in May.

We are sorry to report that Mr. T. Daniel, sr., is quite ill in Mannville hospital.

White, Eileen Ganske, Arlene Nordal, Loretta Morin, Dillys Sterling and Margaret MacKenzie. We have been practising hard so as to be ready to sing as a choir for the first time on Easter Day.

The J.W.A. hope to attend the Diocesan Girls' Festival in Edmonton if we can find the transportation to get them there.

The C.B.L. has been re-started under the leadership of Mrs. Symes. The boys have made a good beginning and are very enthusiastic.

We shall all miss the Nordal family very much when they leave shortly after Easter for New Westminster, B.C. Mrs. Nordal is a very faithful member of the W.A. and has been an excellent secretary since she took that office. Our very best wishes go with them.

**ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY**

Owing to poor road conditions there has been no service held at Chailey. No Vestry meetings have taken place. W. Hollyoake attended the Deanery Meeting at Vermilion.

The March meeting of the W.A. has been postponed.

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## WAINWRIGHT DEANERY

On April 3rd a Deanery meeting was held in St. Thomas' parish hall. Delegates from almost every point in the Deanery were present. During the afternoon Archdeacon Tackaberry addressed the assembly on the Anglican Advance Appeal, speaking of some of the encouraging results already achieved. The Rev. Francis Tseng held everyone's attention with his graphic account of the needs of the Church in China.

In the evening Mr. Tseng spoke in a great missionary service held in the church, and once again he was eagerly listened to. Many people expressed the fact that they had gained a new vision of their Church and its possibilities through coming to these gatherings. Certainly "it was good to have been there."

Thanks are due to all who helped to make the Deanery meeting and service such a success—the visitors from Edmonton, the Wainwright W.A. ladies who provided lunch, and the choir and organist of St. Thomas' Church.

## ST. THOMAS', WAINWRIGHT

THE REV. L. A. BRALANT

As this report is being written we are approaching the end of the Lenten season. It has been a really wonderful time of fellowship in God's House. The numbers in the congregation both on Sundays and during the week have been steadily maintained and we have been able to give ourselves over to a more earnest study of the truths of our most holy faith. One danger there is of which we must be warned. It is the danger of thinking that by our mere attendance at church or our mental apprehension of the facts of the Christian religion we have become Christians. It is as we allow our wills to make a definite response to what the ear has heard and the eye has seen that we enter into a new experience of God. If Jesus through His Spirit is calling to us to "Come," we must rise up and obey. If to some He is saying "Go," we must also be obedient.

Very soon we shall be reminding our people of their privilege of stewardship. May the Lord Who has done so much for us enable us to do something for Him in a tangible way. The measure of our love for Christ and His Church will govern the measure of our gift: "Freely have ye received, freely give."

In the Sunday School we have been using the special Lenten Missionary services with a view to educating the children on what their Lenten gifts are used. We hope that some of the children will be taking the annual C.B.R.E. Examination in May.

The girls of the Missionary Services League have been practising hard for their missionary evening, and we hope this little venture will prove a real success. Its chief purpose is in the dissemination of missionary knowledge. They hope to

have a table at the annual W.A. Sale of Work.

The W.A. has increased its membership and the meetings are marked with enthusiasm. The ladies are hoping to hold their usual spring sale on May 8th. There will also be a cafeteria supper. A very successful social evening was sponsored by the W.A. on April 9th, when a shower was given in honour of Mrs. Mel Rowe, who has just come from England. We are happy to welcome into the fellowship of our Church this new member and pray that her new life here may be full of happiness.

A thought from this month's Bible Reading Fellowship notes: "It is not enough to be given opportunities by God, they must be used, and if they are not, they will be taken away. Those who live in a Christian country with ample chances of Christian worship and service need to ponder over this."

## HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

Services: The Rev. H. G. Brant conducted the morning prayer service on March 24th and the Rev. V. Cole came for Evensong on April 14th. At the close of the latter service a social hour was enjoyed in the Sunday School room in honor of Edith Grace Robinson (bride-elect of the month). Members of the W.A. served refreshments. Mr. Tom Porter, on behalf of the congregation, presented Edith with a lovely rose and blue comforter. In a sincere and witty speech Mr. Porter mentioned that Edith had been connected with the church here all her life and the gift was presented as a mark of esteem from her friends with all best wishes for the future. Edith responded suitably and said she would always have pleasant memories of her life in Tofield. Mr. W. J. Brickman also thanked all for the lovely gift. Mr. J. W. Robinson then presented on behalf of the congregation a pair of pictures to the Rev. V. Cole with all best wishes to him in his new parish. Mr. Cole replied in a fitting manner and thanked the people for their friendliness and kindness.

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Holmes on April 4th, with nine members present. After the usual devotionals arrangements were made for the annual tea, sale of home cooking, aprons, flowers, etc., to be held in the curling rink on April 20th. A donation was made to the Rectory Fund. At the close of the meeting and during the tea hour a pretty flower vase was presented to Mrs. A. E. Allan, by the president, Miss L. Baptist, as a mark of appreciation from the members of the W.A. Mrs. Allan has been a faithful member and officer for a long period and for some time held the office of Dorcas Secretary and Social Welfare Secretary. We regret very much their departure to Westlock in the near future, where Mr. Allan has been transferred to the Bank of Montreal there. Tofield's loss will be Westlock's gain, and we wish them

every happiness and success in their new community.

There have been so many people moving in the last few months that it has been at times hard to keep track of them all. Recently Mr. and Mrs. G. Weatherill and family moved to Edmonton and we are happy to know they will be nearer church there than they were here during the last year. They are now able to attend St. John's Anglican Church and we are happy to hear that Doreen Ellis is staying with them and attending church regularly, too. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn have also left Lindbrook and we trust they will be connected with their nearest church soon. They also hoped to live on the South Side in Edmonton. Mr. and Mrs. G. McKenzie have also left for South Edmonton, so there should be a real re-union amongst them all as soon as they are settled. We have enjoyed knowing them all for a long period.

We also remember Mr. P. Holland of Lindbrook and trust he is out of hospital and feeling better. We miss his articles in the Tofield MERCURY.

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## ST. MATTHEW'S, VIKING

The W.A. met in the church hall on Thursday, April 11th, with Mrs. Rayment presiding. There were fifteen members present, one of whom had not been able to attend for a long while. We are always more than pleased to have these members come in, to show us they are still interested. The members heard a splendid report of the W.A. Annual, held in Edmonton. Mrs. Smith, our delegate, gave a very detailed account of the proceedings, which she described as "very inspiring." The members thanked Mrs. Smith for her very interesting report. The plans for our Easter tea were completed and we are now hoping for a fine day on Saturday, the 20th. In spite of material shortages in the stores, there will be a good display of aprons for sale, as well as other small articles. There will also be a "white elephant" stall under the direction of Mrs. Meredith.

On March 29th the W.A. sponsored a sale of refreshments after the High School play.

There have been two committee meetings for the Anglican Advance Appeal. List of names of our Anglicans have been compiled and these names are now to be given to the various members of the committee, so that the work of visiting may be begun.

We are having the interior of our church washed this week and the ladies are to clean the woodwork and floor. We love our little church and take pride in keeping it immaculate, as befits the House of God.

The Rev. V. Cole conducted the service of Holy Communion on Sunday, April 14. We were delighted to see some of our country members again, who have not had the opportunity of attending for a long time. We welcome them back, and trust they will come often. We cannot do without these older members of our church. We were glad to see also that Mrs. Cotter and Miss Richardson were somewhat better and could get in for service.

## ST. MARY'S, EDGERTON

It is somewhat late to be mentioning annual meetings, but due to unforeseen circumstances our column has not appeared for two months, so we shall mention those items now.

The attendance at the annual congregational meeting was quite the best for several years, and reports from all organizations were full of interest and progress, with good financial status throughout. At this meeting the Rev. V. P. Cole gave a very clear-cut explanation of the new Anglican Advance Appeal, which was heartily endorsed by our delegate to the Conference, Mr. Wallace Bullymore. Both urged the whole parish to give this worthy cause due consideration and the fullest possible support. The Vestry undertook to organize a campaign in this respect.

The annual W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. H. J. Evans, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. H. J. Evans; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. I. Sawyer; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. R. Kingston; Study-Book and Prayer Partner, Mrs. D. M. Tranmer.

The Junior W.A. and Girls' Groups will remain under the very able supervision of Mrs. Dudley Sawyer, who has carried on this work for a number of years, along with her duties as Sunday School Superintendent. Much credit is also due our other faithful teacher, Miss F. L. Kingston, whose continued efforts are indeed praiseworthy. There is a very definite need for more teachers in this most essential part of our Church life, so will someone please volunteer?

Once again the Senior W.A. catered for the Annual Ladies' Bonspiel with much satisfaction to both sides.

It was with a good deal of regret that we bid farewell to the J. F. Gilmour family, for each one had played an active part in the various organizations of the church. We certainly wish them well, and a warm welcome at their new home in the parish of Walkerville, Ontario.

The church has recently been re-decorated inside, and in the very near future is to be painted outside as well.

Several members of the Senior W.A. attended the Deanery meeting at Wainwright, where the guest speakers were the Rev. F. Tseng, of Honan Diocese, China, and Archdeacon S. F. Tackaberry. All agreed that Mr. Tseng's very eloquent speech contained much thought-provoking material, and wished he had spoken at greater length.

Marriage: Rena Victoria Stratton of Edgerton, to Lauritz Melburn Pederson, of Edmonton, on Wednesday, the 10th of April. The Rev. V. P. Cole officiated.

## ST. PATRICK'S, HEATH

The annual meeting was held on April 7th after many previous dates had been arranged and cancelled owing to bad weather and illness. Mr. Fred Ford was again appointed Rector's Warden, and Mr. Arthur Patterson was elected People's Warden. Our Vestry, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. T. Withnell, Mrs. R. Jones and Mr. W. J. Bartlett, were re-elected.

In connection with the Anglican Advance Appeal Mr. Fred Ford was asked to be chairman of a committee consisting of the members of the Vestry, which will make the necessary preparations for this important work.

The Rev. V. Cole presented Miss Rosemary Withnell with two Bibles, one for highest marks in the Senior Sunday School Examinations, and the other an award from the Lord and Lady Luke Scripture Fund for Proficiency in Bible Knowledge.

Mr. Cole informed the meeting that he will be leaving us to take another parish, and we extend to him our best wishes. We, in turn, are promised a resident priest as soon as one is available.

## Answers to Bible Quizz

(From Page 11)

1. Mary Magdalene (John 20: 11-16).
2. Twelve (Genesis 35: 23-26).
3. Those on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24: 13-35).
4. Peter (John 21: 15-17).
5. Ur of the Chaldees (Gen. 11: 27-32).
6. Pilate's wife (Matt. 27: 19).
7. Joseph of Arimathaea (Matt. 27: 57-60).
8. Jericho (Joshua 6).
9. Forty days (Acts 1: 3).
10. Solomon (1st Kings 3: 5-9).

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THE REV. A. WALLIS

When Mr. and Mrs. Cary and Pat. left Camrose we lost our People's Warden, our organist and a choir member, an interested church family, we miss them very much. We had a party and gave them parting gifts, accompanied by an illuminated address signed by all present. Our best wishes follow them. From the party we went to the new church site and stood under the stars watching our Rector turn the first sod. The prayer and singing of the Doxology adding reverent solemnity to the occasion. This was at midnight—Never say that Anglicans are in a rut!

J.W.A.: On Friday, 12th April, instead of the usual meeting, the girls had a service in the church, their president, Barbara Howarth, leading. Well done, Barbara.

Mrs. Murrant, as president of the W.A., presented the awards—the Churchman'ship Badge to Barbara Howarth; Stripe to Shirley Bradley, and a Card of Membership to Ethel Nelson. Mrs. Fuller sang "My Task." The girls are interested in this song and are learning it for themselves. The Rector gave them a brief talk. It was a beautiful service, and we would like the girls and their leader to know how much we enjoyed being there.

Miss M. Studholme is our new organist, just in time for the Easter music.

Baptisms: March 22nd, George Elmer Pizzey.

Marriages: April 9th, Walter Edward Williams and Mary Louise Knisley.

Burials: April 1st, George Bush. April 15th, John Albert Tanner.

and made us realize how important our work as W.A. members is and that we must renew our efforts in carrying on this work. A presentation was made to Mrs. Casey, who is leaving shortly to make her home in Lethbridge. Mrs. Casey will be missed among the members in the W.A.

The April meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Scott, with Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Chandler as hostesses. We were pleased to welcome Mrs. R. Wilson, a war bride, who has just arrived from overseas. Dorcas sewing was distributed. It was decided to cater to a Garagemen's Convention being held here in June. Plans were made for the spring tea which is being held on April 27th in the Elks' Hall. Another one hundred dollars was voted to St. Mary's Rectory Fund.

At the congregational meeting the members present decided to accept the Bishop's offer of a resident rector and to purchase a temporary rectory. Will you as a family or as an individual contribute just a bit more to St. Mary's Rectory Fund than you had planned? The more money we have in this fund the less we will have to borrow. We have arranged for the purchase of the rectory. Will you help us by doing your part? Why not give more to the Church now and less to the Income Tax Department next year? The final canvass will be made during the last week in April. Please make your contribution now.

Holy Baptisms: Albert William Porter; Miriam Lorraine Sweet; Donna Jean Delong; William Frank Sutton; Garth John Patterson; Shelia Christine Wilders.

### ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

During the past weeks Lenten services have been held in the church.

W.A.: The W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. E. O. Wilkinson, with Vice-Pres. Mrs. A. N. Loggin in charge. The material for dresses was distributed. The prayer books for the Junior Choir have been purchased and will be used in the Easter Service. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. G. Jobb.

### ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

The service Good Friday evening was quite well attended and was followed by a meeting of the Vestry to organize for the Anglican Advance Movement. Committee of two were formed to canvass the district, and it is hoped their efforts will be most successful.

Baptisms: Sharon Elizabeth Smith of Camrose, and Wendy Anne Wylie of Bittern Lake, on April 7th.

### ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

The March meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Bartley, with Mrs. Bartley and Mrs. Worthcott as hostesses. Reports from the delegates Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Noden and Mrs. Northcott were the main features of the meeting.

The following poem was written some fifty years or more ago by the Rev. Wray Hunt, sometime Rector of Trowell, in Nottinghamshire (and uncle of the present Rector of Edson.—Ed.). As the duchess said in "Alice in Wonderland," "everything has a moral if you can only find it."

### THE TERRIER IN CHURCH

Left in Sunday loneliness,  
Little "Tips" in deep distress  
Stole out to seek her mistress.  
And now a scuffle of little feet  
Is heard along the old church nave;  
Little "Tips" dost thou think it meet  
That thou, with never a soul to save,  
Should'st thus disturb a congregation  
At its Sunday work of self salvation?  
For men and women know quite well  
Why they to church should go;—  
Would they not save themselves from  
Hell?

(If there should be one down below)  
And get to Heaven? (If there should prove  
To be a Heaven up above.)  
Little enough to do with Love.  
And thou hast nothing but love to plead  
For thy presence here in thine utmost  
need;

Love for thy mistress who is God to thee.  
What wonder that thou should'st be  
ejected by the angry clerk?

Poor little "Tips" too scared to bark,  
Thou bidest thy fate  
At the Chancel gate  
Raising a deprecating paw  
Against "Dogs not admitted" law,  
And gazing round with much bewildered  
eye

That asks for human sympathy—  
Then a sudden bound  
A joyous cry.  
Thy God thou hast found  
In her arms dost lie.  
Little "Tips," could we so love, then we  
too might find  
The core of the matter and not stick at  
the rind.

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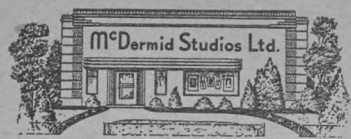
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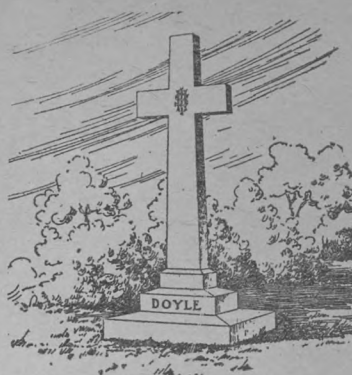
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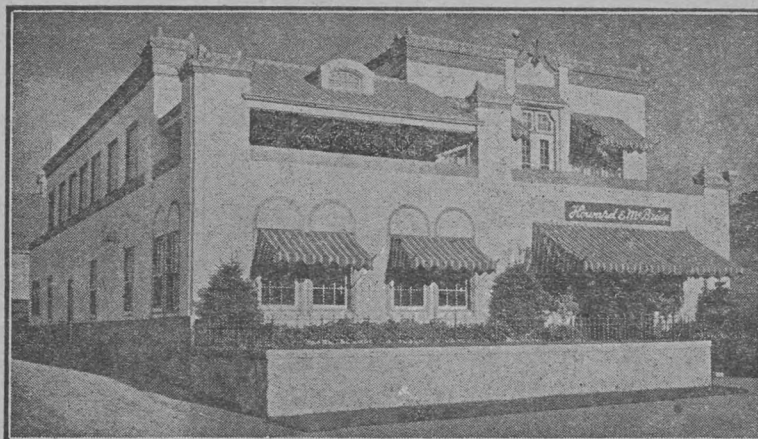
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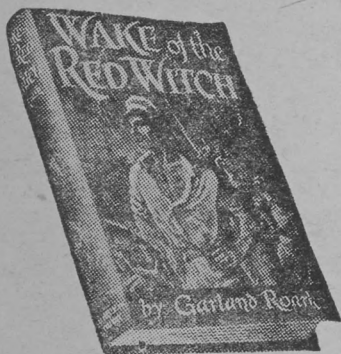
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